

I am an American citizen - I believe that it is in the best interests of the Country and the Public which our government was formed to serve that we return to the limits on ownership that existed prior to 1996. Another recent action provides an example of why diverse, local control and ownership of media is critical in these United States.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.